

# SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

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## Journal of the Proceedings of the Seattle City Council

Tuesday, June 4, 2024

2:00 PM

**Council Chamber, City Hall**

**600 4th Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104**

### **City Council**

*Sara Nelson, Council President*

*Joy Hollingsworth, Member*

*Robert Kettle, Member*

*Cathy Moore, Member*

*Tammy J. Morales, Member*

*Maritza Rivera, Member*

*Rob Saka, Member*

*Dan Strauss, Member*

*Tanya Woo, Member*

*Chair Info: 206-684-8809; [Sara.Nelson@seattle.gov](mailto:Sara.Nelson@seattle.gov)*

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The City Council of the City of Seattle met in the Council Chamber in Seattle, Washington, on June 4, 2024, pursuant to the provisions of the City Charter. The meeting was called to order at 2:01 p.m., with Council President Nelson presiding.

**B. ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 8 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Morales, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo

**Late Arrival:** 1 - Moore

*Councilmember Moore entered the Council Chamber at 2:02 p.m.*

**C. PRESENTATIONS**

There were none.

**D. PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following individuals addressed the Council:

Ken Workman  
Tanya Treat  
Yvonne Griffin  
Isailey Medilo  
Jazmine Smith  
Leslie Morishita  
Karen Toering  
Arianna Riley  
Hao Shen  
Myesha Mitchell  
Strawberry S  
Alexis Mercedes Rinck  
Kitty Wu  
Saunatina Sanchez  
Susano Surface  
Olisa Enrico  
Alice Lockhart  
Shemona Moreno  
Joey Lopez  
Alex Kim  
Jason Ogulnik  
Alice Park  
Slayman  
Peter Manning  
Leah Martin  
Jesse Simpson  
Ubox Gardheere  
Tony To  
Selene Russo  
Alberto Alvarez  
Stephanie Morales  
Courtney Casey  
Bunthay Cheom

**E. ADOPTION OF INTRODUCTION AND REFERRAL CALENDAR:**

[IRC 439](#)

**June 4, 2024**

**By unanimous consent, the Introduction & Referral Calendar (IRC) was adopted.**

**In Favor:** 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Morales, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo

**Opposed:** None

**F. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

By unanimous consent, the City Council Agenda was adopted.

**G. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

Motion was made by Council President Nelson, duly seconded and carried, to adopt the Consent Calendar.

**Journal:**

- 1. [Min 475](#) **May 28, 2024**

**The item was adopted on the Consent Calendar by the following vote, and the President signed the Minutes (Min):**

**In Favor:** 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Morales, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo

**Opposed:** None

**Bills:**

- 2. [CB 120793](#) **AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of May 20, 2024 through May 24, 2024 and ordering the payment thereof; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

**The item was passed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill:**

**In Favor:** 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Morales, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo

**Opposed:** None

**Appointments:**

**GOVERNANCE, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:**

3. [Appt 02892](#) **Reappointment of Lowell Deo as member, Seattle Film Commission, for a term to April 23, 2027.**
- The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).**
- In Favor: 5 - Nelson, Kettle, Hollingsworth, Rivera, Saka**
- Opposed: None**
- The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:**
- In Favor: 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Morales, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo**
- Opposed: None**
4. [Appt 02893](#) **Reappointment of Tom Florino as member, Seattle Film Commission, for a term to April 23, 2027.**
- The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).**
- In Favor: 5 - Nelson, Kettle, Hollingsworth, Rivera, Saka**
- Opposed: None**
- The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:**
- In Favor: 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Morales, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo**
- Opposed: None**
5. [Appt 02894](#) **Reappointment of Kat Ogden as member, Seattle Film Commission, for a term to April 23, 2027.**
- The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).**
- In Favor: 5 - Nelson, Kettle, Hollingsworth, Rivera, Saka**
- Opposed: None**
- The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:**
- In Favor: 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Morales, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo**
- Opposed: None**
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6. [Appt 02895](#) Reappointment of Anthony Tackett as member, Seattle Film Commission, for a term to April 23, 2027.

The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).

In Favor: 5 - Nelson, Kettle, Hollingsworth, Rivera, Saka

Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:

In Favor: 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Morales, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo

Opposed: None

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:**

7. [Appt 02851](#) Reappointment of Patricia L. Hunter as member, Community Police Commission, for a term to December 31, 2027.

The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).

In Favor: 5 - Kettle, Saka, Hollingsworth, Moore, Nelson

Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:

In Favor: 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Morales, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo

Opposed: None

8. [Appt 02852](#) Reappointment of Lynne Wilson as member, Community Police Commission, for a term to December 31, 2027.

The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).

In Favor: 5 - Kettle, Saka, Hollingsworth, Moore, Nelson

Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:

**In Favor:** 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Morales, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo

**Opposed:** None

**H. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**SUSTAINABILITY, CITY LIGHT, ARTS AND CULTURE COMMITTEE:**

1. [Appt 02864](#) **Appointment of Dawn Lindell as General Manager and Chief Executive Officer of Seattle City Light, for a term to May 31, 2028.**

**The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).**

**In Favor:** 4 - Woo, Moore, Morales, Saka

**Opposed:** None

**The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed by the following vote:**

**In Favor:** 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Morales, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo

**Opposed:** None

The Council President invited Dawn Lindell to address the Council.

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:**

2. [CB 120777](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to unsafe building abatement; amending Section 111 and Section 202 of the 2018 Seattle Fire Code as adopted by Section 22.600.020 of the Seattle Municipal Code and as regulated and allowed by the State Building Code Act, Chapter 19.27 of the Revised Code of Washington; declaring an emergency; and establishing an immediate effective date; all by a 3/4 vote of the City Council.**

**The Committee recommends that City Council pass as amended the Council Bill (CB).**

**In Favor: 5 - Kettle, Saka, Hollingsworth, Moore, Nelson**

**Opposed: None**

ACTION 1:

Motion was made by Councilmember Saka, duly seconded and carried, to amend Council Bill 120777, by amending Section 1, adding a new Section K, as shown in the underlined language below:

K. Each of Seattle's eight designated historic districts are regulated by a citizens board and/or the Landmarks Preservation Board in accordance with processes and criteria detailed in Title 25 of the Seattle Municipal Code, which also sets forth the limited conditions under which a landmarked building may be demolished, and nothing in this ordinance supersedes those existing provisions and requirements.

ACTION 2:

Motion was made by Councilmember Morales, duly seconded and carried, to amend Council Bill 120777, by amending Section 1, adding a new Section D, and renumbering the subsequent sub-sections accordingly, as shown in the underlined language below:

D. These buildings represent a safety risk to the communities they are located in and the general public because they create opportunities for unauthorized trespass or occupancy, which may enable illegal or unsafe behavior and create additional fire risks. Unauthorized access to these buildings and the potential for drug use or other illegal behavior inside them may lead to further structural damage, decrease community safety, and endanger first responders.

ACTION 3:

Motion was made by Councilmember Kettle, duly seconded and carried, to



amend Council Bill 120777, as shown in Attachment 1 to the Minutes.

ACTION 4:

Motion was made by Councilmember Kettle, duly seconded and carried, to amend Council Bill 120777, by adding a new recital, as shown in the underlined language below:

WHEREAS, the intent of this ordinance is to permit the Seattle Fire Department to abate unsafe conditions on premises and/or property which includes construction sites, and to summarily abate conditions on such sites where there is an imminent danger to life and property; and

ACTION 5:

Motion was made by Councilmember Kettle, duly seconded and carried, to amend Council Bill 120777, as shown in Attachment 2 to the Minutes.

**The Council Bill (CB) was passed as amended by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill (CB):**

**In Favor:** 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Morales, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo

**Opposed:** None

**SELECT BUDGET COMMITTEE:**

3. [CB 120774](#) **AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance 126955, which adopted the 2024 Budget, including the 2024-2029 Capital Improvement Program (CIP); changing appropriations to various departments and budget control levels, and from various funds in the Budget; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts; all by a 3/4 vote of the City Council.**

**The Committee recommends that City Council pass the Council Bill (CB).**

**In Favor: 7 - Strauss, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Morales, Nelson, Saka, Woo**

**Opposed: None**

**Abstain: 2 - Rivera, Moore**

**ACTION 1:**

Motion was made by Councilmember Rivera and duly seconded, to amend Council Bill 120774, by adding a new Section 2, and renumbering the remaining sections accordingly, as shown in the underlined language below:

Section 2. The City Council requests that the Office of Planning and Community Development provide a report on the Equitable Development Initiative (EDI) by September 24, 2024, to the Council President, that includes, at a minimum:

A. A status update on each project funded by the EDI program, including the current project stage and the completion timeline. If there is no completion timeline, the report should describe activities completed to date and next steps in the project development process;

B. Results of program evaluation in progress when this ordinance becomes effective. These evaluation results should demonstrate the effectiveness of the program, identify ways to improve or modify the program and program planning, identify streamlining and efficiency opportunities to successfully complete existing projects, and determine the optimal allocation of resources for future grant awards;

C. Potential future funding requests within the existing portfolio of EDI projects; and

D. Identification of obstacles to completion of these projects unrelated to the funding.

The Motion passed by the following vote:

In favor: 8 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo

Opposed: 1 - Morales

**The Council Bill (CB) was passed as amended by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill (CB):**

**In Favor:** 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Morales, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo

**Opposed:** None

**I. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR**

There were none.

**J. ADOPTION OF OTHER RESOLUTIONS**

There were none.

**K. OTHER BUSINESS**

There was none.

**L. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 3:59 p.m.

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Jodee Schwinn, Deputy City Clerk

Signed by me in Open Session, upon approval of the Council, on June 11, 2024.

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Sara Nelson, Council President of the City Council

**Attachment: Att 1 to Action 3 of Council Bill 120777**

**Attachment: Att 2 to Action 5 of Council Bill 120777**